


**I. Remarks**

Claims 10-18 are pending in the application. In the Final Office Action dated April 11, 2005, the Examiner indicated Claims 10-16 are allowed and rejected Claims 17-18 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 5,159,447 ("Haskell"). In this Amendment, in order to expedite prosecution Applicants have cancelled Claims 17 and 18. Applicants intend to pursue Claims 17 and 18 in a Continuation Application. In view of this amendment, Applicants submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any questions concerning this Response, the Examiner is asked to phone the undersigned attorney at (312) 321-4200.

Respectfully submitted,

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